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REMARKS

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1. Between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 5 May 1953 [redacted] 14 Pe-2s, 3 biplanes, 2 single-engine planes, two-seater semi-high wing monoplanes and 2 Li-2s at Voeslau (O 48/X 36) airfield. Weather was 7/10 overcast with moderate northerly wind, ceiling at about 1,500 meters and good visibility. The aircraft revetments [redacted] were empty. There was no change in the status of radio installations.

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2. Gainfarn Castle was guarded by a soldier who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Two radio trucks, one of them fitted with three rod antennas were seen in the yard of the installation, which was entered by 35 men with black-bordered blue epaulets who came from the direction of the field. Soviet [redacted] driver with black-bordered blue epaulets and occupied by officers and truck [redacted] driver with black-bordered blue epaulets, also arrived from the direction of the field. Voeslau Castle was guarded by a sentry who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were seen at this installation. Truck [redacted] driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, and tank trucks [redacted]

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[redacted] drivers with black-bordered blue epaulets, were seen at the castle. The komendatura was guarded by a soldier who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Female soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were also seen there. Building No 13 on Badener Strasse was not guarded. Van-like truck [redacted] was seen in the yard of the house. There was no change in the status of telephone lines. A sentry wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and truck [redacted] driver with black-bordered blue epaulets were seen in front of building No 14 on Bahn Strasse. It appeared that the former laundry was now being used as a garage. Oil tank truck [redacted] tank trucks [redacted] and trucks [redacted]

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[redacted] were parked there. A sedan and three trailers were also seen in front of the building. Five trucks were observed in the yard of building No 25 on Hoch Strasse, Theresienhof. Sedan [redacted] occupied by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered blue epaulets and truck [redacted] driver with black-bordered blue epaulets, were seen there. [redacted] soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets at building No 11 on Gainfarn Strasse; soldiers with black-

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bordered blue epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets near building No 12 on Wiener-Neustaedter Strasse and soldiers with the same epaulets near the hospital Villa Dorothea on Haupt Platz.

3. Between 7:30 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. on 7 May, [redacted] 16 Pe-2s, 2 biplanes, 1 Li-2 and 1 twin-jet plane at [redacted] airfield. One Li-2 took off from a north-south take-off strip marked by white flags. 25X1

4. In the morning of 7 May [redacted] the twin-engine planes which had taken off at Wiener Neustadt field landed at Voeslau airfield. At 12:10 p.m., nine twin-jet planes were parked at Voeslau airfield. [redacted] a radio truck fitted with a rod antenna to the northern end of the take-off strip. 25X1

5. Between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 12 May [redacted] 16 Pe-2s, 9 twin-jet planes, 2 Aira Cobra F 63 A planes, 2 biplanes and 2 Li-2s at the field. Another Li-2 landed at 1:30 p.m. Prior to 1 p.m., weather was about 5/10 overcast, but cloudiness increased to 9/10 after that time. Visibility was good with the cloud ceiling at about 3,000 meters. Flying by twin-jet aircraft was started after 8 a.m. Individual flights of 15- to 30-minute duration were made. 25X1

6. Van-like truck [redacted] which arrived on the Voeslau-Moedling (O 49/X 37) road entered at Bundeslehranstalt (federal government school) in Moedling. 25X1

Comment. Bad Voeslau airfield is occupied by an air reconnaissance regiment. It is not yet clear whether the Il-28s previously stationed in Wiener Neustadt and observed in Bad Voeslau after 7 May were permanently transferred there.

[redacted] some of these Il-28s had plexiglass noses while at other Il-28s only sections of the noses consisted of plexiglass, indicates that the Il-28s involved do not belong to a regular bomber unit. It appears more probable that the planes are assigned to a retraining unit for bomber and reconnaissance crews. The unit may also be employed for occasional joint exercises with fighter units. 25X1

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